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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE MEDICAL EVACUATION AND TREATMENT OF
DR. PAUL BASCH

REF: PEKING 758, ETC. (NOTAL)

FROM EA AND DG/MED (DR. SCHEER)
FOR TOKYO

1. AS ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE AWARE, DR. PAUL BASCH OF
STANFORD UNIVERSITY SUFFERED A LARGE MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
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IN WUHSI, PRC, WHILE VISITING THE PRC AS A MEMBER OF A

USG-FACILITATED SCIENTIFIC DELEGATION. HE IS IN WUHSI, AND RECOVERING REASONABLY WELL. AS PART OF CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR WHEN HE IS ABLE TO BEGIN RETURN TRAVEL TO US, PLEASE ADVISE ASAP IF BASCH CAN BE ADMITTED TO A US MILITARY HOSPITAL AT SOME TIME WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. DEPARTMENT SUPPORTS HIS BEING ADMITTED, AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE DECISION MAY 5. BASCH WOULD REMAIN UNTIL CARDIOLOGIST ADVISED HE WAS FIT FOR TRAVEL TO CALIFORNIA. ON PRESENT PROGNOSIS, BASCH APPARENTLY WOULD NOT RPT NOT NEED TO BE IN CARDIAC UNIT. COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL EXPENSES OF PATIENT AND HIS WIFE (WHO IS WITH HIM IN PRC AND MIGHT

DECIDE TO REMAIN WITH HIM IN JAPAN).

2. ALSO FOR CONTINGENCY PLANNING PURPOSES PLEASE ADVISE AS TO AVAILABILITY OF NURSE CLAWSON OR ANOTHER EXPERIENCED USG NURSE, AND/OR A USG DOCTOR IN JAPAN, TO GO TO PRC IN ORDER TO ASSIST WITH PATIENT'S CARE THERE AND/OR ACCOMPANY PATIENT FROM SHANGHAI TO JAPAN BY AIR (COMMERCIAL). AGAIN, ABOVE-NAMED ORGANIZATION WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES.

3. FOR TOKYO AND USLO. ASSUME THAT IF AND WHEN THE NEED ARISES YOU WILL COORDINATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR OBTAINING JAPANESE VISAS FOR BASCH AND WIFE AND PRC VISAS FOR ANY PERSONNEL WHO MIGHT TRAVEL FROM JAPAN. KISSINGER UNQUOTE

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